

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

THOMAS RUDEGEAIR,

Defendant.

04 11758 RCL

Court No.

RECEIPT #

AMOUNT \$ 270.00

SUMMONS ISSUED 8/11/04

LOCAL RULE 4.1

WAIVER FORM

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DATE 8/11/04

MAGISTRATE JUDGE

COMPLAINT

The United States of America, by its attorney, Michael J. Sullivan, United States Attorney for the District of Massachusetts, states as its complaint that:

1. Jurisdiction of this action is conferred on the Court by 28 U.S.C. § 1345.
2. The defendant, Thomas Rudegear (hereinafter "Rudegear"), resides in the District of Massachusetts at 40 Pine Crest Road, Newton, MA 02459.
3. Rudegear is indebted to the United States in the principal amount of \$184,264.54 plus interest computed at the rate of 4.0 percent per annum for a total amount of \$186,001.21 as of June 25, 2004. Thereafter, interest on the principal amount will accrue at the rate of 4.0 percent per annum until the date of judgment. See Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein.
4. Rudegear has failed to repay the aforesaid sum although demand has been duly made.

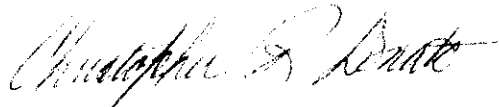
WHEREFORE, the United States demands judgment against Rudegear in the principal amount of \$184,264.54; plus interest in the amount of \$1,736.67; plus interest on this principal at an annual rate of 4.0 percent per annum until the date of judgment. The United States further demands, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1961, that interest on the judgment accrue at the legal rate until paid in full.

Respectfully submitted,

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
By its attorneys

MICHAEL J. SULLIVAN
United States Attorney

By:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Christopher R. Donato", with a horizontal line extending from the end of the signature.

CHRISTOPHER R. DONATO
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Dated: August 11, 2004



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Program Support Center

Rockville MD 20857

CERTIFICATE OF INDEBTEDNESS

Thomas J. Rudegeair
40 Pine Crest Road
Newton, MA 02459
Ref: 50148981

Total debt due to the United States of America as of June 25, 2004: \$ 186,001.21(principal \$184,264.54, interest \$1,736.67, administrative costs \$0.00).

I certify that the Department of Health and Human Services records show that the debtor named above is indebted to the United States in the amount stated above, plus additional interest on the principal balance of \$184,264.54 from June 25, 2004, at the rate of 4.000%. Interest accrues on the principal amount of this debt at the rate of \$20.19 per day. Interest is computed at a variable rate and is adjusted quarterly. Due to the semi-annual compounding of interest, the current principal amount is greater than the original amount borrowed.

The claim arose in connection with a Government-insured Health Education Assistance Loan (HEAL) made by a private lender and assigned to the United States.

As a student at the University of Massachusetts, you applied for and were granted the following Health Education Assistance Loans (HEAL), Section 701-720 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 292 f-p).

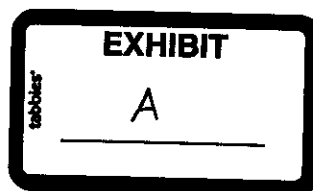
Original
Principal

\$ 7,500.00
\$ 4,000.00
\$ 8,000.00
\$ 9,200.00
\$10,000.00
\$10,000.00
\$12,450.00

Your loans were consolidated into one loan in the amount of \$150,758.27. You signed a promissory note on July 16, 2000, agreeing to repay the loan at a variable rate of interest.

Upon your leaving the University of Massachusetts, you were granted forbearances during the period of August 10, 2000, to August 9, 2002, with payments to begin September 9, 2002. You did not make any payments.

On January 7, 2003, the SLMA sent you a final demand letter to remit payment in full or your account would be filed as a default claim. You did not make any payments, nor did you respond.



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Due to your failure to make payments, the SLMA filed an insurance claim on February 12, 2003, with the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). The claim in the amount of \$173,638.00 was paid on April 7, 2003, and an assignment of the note was received.

By letter dated April 22, 2003, you were notified that the previous holder of your HEAL placed you in default and assigned your notes to the United States Government. You were informed that your student loans were consolidated using the lowest interest rate allowable by law. Enclosed were instructions for entering into a repayment agreement (RA) with notice that it must be completed and returned within thirty (30) days. You did not respond.

By letter dated July 1, 2003, you were notified that your account had been referred to OSI Collection Services for collection. You were advised that your account would be referred to the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) if you failed to either remit payment in full or enter into a RA. You did not comply.

In a letter dated July 25, 2003, you were notified of the HHS' intent to refer your HEAL debt to other Federal agencies for the purpose of administrative offset under the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996. You were advised that a written response, a RA, or payment in full received within sixty (60) days from the date of the letter would terminate administrative offset action. You did not comply.

On February 19, 2004, you were notified that you had sixty (60) days in which to resolve your delinquent debt. You were advised that if you were unwilling to establish a RA, your case would be immediately referred to the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) for exclusion from participation in the Medicare/Medicaid Programs. The letter also informed you that in the event you did not enter into a RA, your debt would be referred to the DOJ for enforced collection. You did not comply.

The following provides a breakdown of credits applied to your account:

1 SLMA Refund	5/15/03	\$ 115.38
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Repeated attempts by HHS have been unsuccessful in establishing an acceptable repayment schedule for your debt. Because of your lack of cooperation the federal government is exercising its option and declaring your note due and payable. Accordingly, your debt has now been referred to the DOJ for enforced collection.

The amount due should be remitted by check, draft or money order(s) payable to the "U.S. Department of Justice" and mailed directly to the United States Attorney, District of Massachusetts, One Courthouse Way, U.S. Courthouse, Suite 9200, Boston, MA 02210.

CERTIFICATION: Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 1746, I certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date



Barry M. Blum
Chief, Referral Control Section
Debt Management Branch

CIVIL COVER SHEET

The JS-44 civil cover sheet and the information contained herein neither replace nor supplement the filing and service of pleadings or other papers as required by law, except as provided by local rules of court. This form, approved by the Judicial Conference of the United States in September 1974, is required for the use of the Clerk of Court for the purpose of initiating the civil docket sheet. (SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON THE REVERSE OF THE FORM.)

I. (a) PLAINTIFFS

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DEFENDANTS

THOMAS RUDEGEAIR

(b) County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff
(EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES)

County of Residence of First Listed Middlesex 25017

(IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY)

NOTE: IN LAND CONDEMNATION CASES, USE THE LOCATION OF THE LAND INVOLVED.

(c) Attorney'S (Firm Name, Address, and Telephone Number)
CHRISTOPHER R. DONATO, AUSA
1 COURTHOUSE WAY, SUITE 9200
BOSTON, MA 02210
(617) 748-3303

Attorneys (If Known)

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II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

- ☒ 1 U.S. Government Plaintiff
- ☐ 3 Federal Question (U.S. Government Not a Party)
- ☐ 2 U.S. Government Defendant
- ☐ 4 Diversity (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in Item III)

III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (Place an "X" in One Box for Plaintiff and One Box for Defendant)

	DEF	DEF
Citizen of This State	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
Incorporated or Principal Place of Business In This State	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
Citizen of Another State	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 2
Incorporated and Principal Place of Business In Another State	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
Citizen or Subject of a Foreign Country	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
Foreign Nation	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	<input type="checkbox"/> 6

IV. NATURE OF SUIT (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

CONTRACT	TORTS	FORFEITURE/PENALTY	BANKRUPTCY	OTHER STATUTES
<input type="checkbox"/> 110 Insurance <input type="checkbox"/> 120 Marine <input type="checkbox"/> 130 Miller Act <input type="checkbox"/> 140 Negotiable Instrument <input type="checkbox"/> 150 Recovery of Overpayment & Enforcement of Judgment <input type="checkbox"/> 151 Medicare Act <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loans (Excl. Veterans) <input type="checkbox"/> 153 Recovery of Overpayment of Veteran's Benefits <input type="checkbox"/> 160 Stockholders' Suits <input type="checkbox"/> 190 Other Contract <input type="checkbox"/> 195 Contract Product Liability	PERSONAL INJURY <input type="checkbox"/> 310 Airplane <input type="checkbox"/> 315 Airplane Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 320 Assault, Libel & Slander <input type="checkbox"/> 330 Federal Employers' Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 340 Marine <input type="checkbox"/> 345 Marine Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 350 Motor Vehicle <input type="checkbox"/> 355 Motor Vehicle Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 360 Other Personal Injury PERSONAL INJURY <input type="checkbox"/> 362 Personal Injury - Med. Malpractice <input type="checkbox"/> 365 Personal Injury - Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 368 Asbestos Personal Injury Product Liability PERSONAL PROPERTY <input type="checkbox"/> 370 Other Fraud <input type="checkbox"/> 371 Truth in Lending <input type="checkbox"/> 380 Other Personal Property Damage <input type="checkbox"/> 385 Property Damage Product Liability	<input type="checkbox"/> 610 Agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> 620 Other Food & Drug <input type="checkbox"/> 625 Drug Related Seizure of Property 21 USC <input type="checkbox"/> 630 Liquor Laws <input type="checkbox"/> 640 R.R. & Truck <input type="checkbox"/> 650 Airline Regs. <input type="checkbox"/> 660 Occupational Safety/Health <input type="checkbox"/> 690 Other	<input type="checkbox"/> 422 Appeal 28 USC 158 <input type="checkbox"/> 423 Withdrawal 28 USC 157 PROPERTY RIGHTS <input type="checkbox"/> 820 Copyrights <input type="checkbox"/> 830 Patent <input type="checkbox"/> 840 Trademark	<input type="checkbox"/> 400 State Reapportionment <input type="checkbox"/> 410 Antitrust <input type="checkbox"/> 430 Banks and Banking <input type="checkbox"/> 450 Commerce/ICC Rates/etc. <input type="checkbox"/> 460 Deportation <input type="checkbox"/> 470 Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations <input type="checkbox"/> 810 Selective Service <input type="checkbox"/> 850 Securities/Commodities/Exchange <input type="checkbox"/> 875 Customer Challenge 12 USC 3410 <input type="checkbox"/> 891 Agricultural Acts <input type="checkbox"/> 892 Economic Stabilization Act <input type="checkbox"/> 893 Environmental Matters <input type="checkbox"/> 894 Energy Allocation Act <input type="checkbox"/> 895 Freedom of Information Act <input type="checkbox"/> 900 Appeal of Fee Determination Under Equal Access to Justice <input type="checkbox"/> 950 Constitutionality of State Statutes <input type="checkbox"/> 890 Other Statutory Actions
REAL PROPERTY <input type="checkbox"/> 210 Land Condemnation <input type="checkbox"/> 220 Foreclosure <input type="checkbox"/> 230 Rent Lease & Ejectment <input type="checkbox"/> 240 Torts to Land <input type="checkbox"/> 245 Tort Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 290 All Other Real Property	CIVIL RIGHTS <input type="checkbox"/> 441 Voting <input type="checkbox"/> 442 Employment <input type="checkbox"/> 443 Housing/Accommodations <input type="checkbox"/> 444 Welfare <input type="checkbox"/> 440 Other Civil Rights	PRISONER PETITIONS <input type="checkbox"/> 510 Motions to Vacate Sentence <input type="checkbox"/> Habeas Corpus: <input type="checkbox"/> 530 General <input type="checkbox"/> 535 Death Penalty <input type="checkbox"/> 540 Mandamus & Other <input type="checkbox"/> 550 Civil Rights <input type="checkbox"/> 555 Prison Condition	LABOR <input type="checkbox"/> 710 Fair Labor Standards Act <input type="checkbox"/> 720 Labor/Mgmt. Relations <input type="checkbox"/> 730 Labor/Mgmt. Reporting & Disclosure Act <input type="checkbox"/> 740 Railway Labor Act <input type="checkbox"/> 790 Other Labor Litigation <input type="checkbox"/> 791 Empl. Ret. Inc. Security Act	SOCIAL SECURITY <input type="checkbox"/> 861 HIA (1395ff) <input type="checkbox"/> 862 Black Lung (923) <input type="checkbox"/> 863 DIWC/DIWW (405(g)) <input type="checkbox"/> 864 SSID Title XVI <input type="checkbox"/> 865 RSI (405(g)) FEDERAL TAX SUITS <input type="checkbox"/> 870 Taxes (U.S. Plaintiff or Defendant) <input type="checkbox"/> 871 IRS - Third Party 26 USC 7609

V. ORIGIN (PLACE AN "X" IN ONE BOX ONLY)

- ☒ 1 Original Proceeding
- ☐ 2 Removed from State Court
- ☐ 3 Remanded from Appellate Court
- ☐ 4 Reinstated or Reopened
- ☐ 5 Transferred from another district (specify)
- ☐ 6 Multidistrict Litigation
- ☐ 7 Appeal to District Judge from Magistrate Judgment

VI. CAUSE OF ACTION

(Cite the U.S. Civil Statute under which you are filing and write brief statement of cause. Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity.)

28 U.S.C. SECTION 1345 Default of government guaranteed student loan

VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT:

☐ CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION UNDER F.R.C.P. 23

DEMAND \$ 186,001.21

CHECK YES only if demanded in complaint:

JURY DEMAND:

☐ Yes ☐ No

VIII. RELATED CASE(S)

(See instructions):

IF ANY

JUDGE

DOCKET NUMBER

DATE

SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

RECEIPT #

AMOUNT

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JUDGE

MAG. JUDGE

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

1. TITLE OF CASE (NAME OF FIRST PARTY ON EACH SIDE ONLY) U.S.A. v. Thomas Rudegeair
2. CATEGORY IN WHICH THE CASE BELONGS BASED UPON THE NUMBERED NATURE OF SUIT CODE LISTED ON THE CIVIL COVER SHEET. (SEE LOCAL RULE 40.1(A)(1)).
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| <u> </u> I. | 160, 410, 470, R.23, REGARDLESS OF NATURE OF SUIT. | |
| <u> </u> II. | 195, 368, 400, 440, 441-444, 540, 550, 555, 625, 710, 720, 730, 740, 790, 791, 820*, 830*, 840*, 850, 890, 892-894, 895, 950. | *Also complete AO 120 or AO 121 for patent, trademark or copyright cases |
| <u> </u> III. | 110, 120, 130, 140, 151, 190, 210, 230, 240, 245, 290, 310, 315, 320, 330, 340, 345, 350, 355, 360, 362, 365, 370, 371, 380, 385, 450, 891. | |
| <u> </u> IV. | 220, 422, 423, 430, 460, 510, 530, 610, 620, 630, 640, 650, 660, 690, 810, 861-865, 870, 871, 875, 900. | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> V. | 150, 152, 153. | |
3. TITLE AND NUMBER, IF ANY, OF RELATED CASES. (SEE LOCAL RULE 40.1(G)). IF MORE THAN ONE PRIOR RELATED CASE HAS BEEN FILED IN THIS DISTRICT PLEASE INDICATE THE TITLE AND NUMBER OF THE FIRST FILED CASE IN THIS COURT.
N/A
4. HAS A PRIOR ACTION BETWEEN THE SAME PARTIES AND BASED ON THE SAME CLAIM EVER BEEN FILED IN THIS COURT?
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| YES | <u> </u> NO |
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5. DOES THE COMPLAINT IN THIS CASE QUESTION THE CONSTITUTIONALITY OF AN ACT OF CONGRESS AFFECTING THE PUBLIC INTEREST? (SEE 28 USC §2403)
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| YES | <u> </u> NO |
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- IF SO, IS THE U.S.A. OR AN OFFICER, AGENT OR EMPLOYEE OF THE U.S. A PARTY?
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| YES | <u> </u> NO |
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6. IS THIS CASE REQUIRED TO BE HEARD AND DETERMINED BY A DISTRICT COURT OF THREE JUDGES PURSUANT TO TITLE 28 USC §2284?
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| YES | <u> </u> NO |
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7. DO ALL OF THE PARTIES IN THIS ACTION, EXCLUDING GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS ("GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES"), RESIDING IN MASSACHUSETTS RESIDE IN THE SAME DIVISION? - (SEE LOCAL RULE 40.1(D)).
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| YES | <u> </u> NO |
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- A. IF YES, IN WHICH DIVISION DO ALL OF THE NON-GOVERNMENTAL PARTIES RESIDE?
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| <u>EASTERN DIVISION</u> | CENTRAL DIVISION | WESTERN DIVISION |
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- B. IF NO, IN WHICH DIVISION DO THE MAJORITY OF THE PLAINTIFFS OR THE ONLY PARTIES, EXCLUDING GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES, RESIDING IN MASSACHUSETTS RESIDE?
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| EASTERN DIVISION | CENTRAL DIVISION | WESTERN DIVISION |
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